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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-27 (canceled)

Claim 28 (currently amended): An apparatus for reducing the thickness of the wall of a polymer tube comprising:

an inner luminal roller having an outer surface for supporting said tube thereabout;

an outer ~~surface~~ roller relatively movably positioned with respect to said inner roller to place said wall in compression therebetween; ~~and~~

means for relatively rotating said inner roller and outer ~~surface~~ roller to effect circumferential reduction in said thickness of said wall therebetween; and

a tensioning roller for supporting said tube thereabout, said tensioning roller being biased away from said inner roller for maintaining an outward radial tension on said tube.

Claim 29 (original): An apparatus of claim 28 further including a supporting device for supporting said outer roller and wherein said inner roller is movably positioned with respect to said outer roller for movement into compressive engagement therewith.

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Claim 30 (original): An apparatus of claim 29 further including a warm water bath supporting said inner and outer rollers.

Claim 31 (canceled)

Claim 32 (currently amended): ~~An apparatus of claim 29 further including~~ An apparatus for reducing the thickness of the wall of a polymer tube comprising:

an inner luminal roller having an outer surface for supporting said tube thereabout;

an outer roller relatively movably positioned with respect to said inner roller to place said wall in compression therebetween;

means for relatively rotating said inner roller and outer roller to effect circumferential reduction in said thickness of said wall therebetween;

a tensioning roller for supporting said tube thereabout, said tensioning roller being biased away from said inner roller for maintaining an outward radial tension on said tube; and

a pair of tensioning rollers supported thereabout, said pair of tensioning rollers being oppositely spring biased away from said inner roller for maintaining an outward radial tension on said tube.

Claim 33 (canceled)